

To Whom It May Concern:

Our local school systems FRC Program's funding is in jeopardy of being reduced or eliminated. This would be so detrimental to so many families; especially families in need. I have been a resident of Plymouth, CT for 30 years my children attended Plymouth public schools and we were also involved with the FRC programs. Now my grandchildren are attending the Plymouth, CT public schools and are currently involved with the FRC programs. These are amazing programs that help children and families with many services that are needed in our community. They give opportunities for children to learn and play in groups at early ages which is very important in developing social skills and opportunities for child care providers, parents and grandparents to be involved with the developing of skills in all aspects of the child. They also have a support system that they wouldn't have without the FRC. Someone to share their concerns with and get questions answered in regards to the child's behavior or developing skills. The following programs are in high demand for our community:

- * Adult Education - Parent Leadership
- * Training for area child care providers
- * Parent as Teachers- Especially Home Visit Program educating parents
- * Pre-School Programs
- * School Age Programing

Please reconsider the reduction of funds or eliminating this very important and needed program in our community.

Thank you.

Sincerely;

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